

Cycling and sailing trip on the IJsselmeer

8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS, APPROX. 165 – 205 KM
 BOOKING CODE: NL-NHSAA-081

DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ●●●●●
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Underway on the three-masted clipper Elizabeth

From Eur 1179,-



Your tour

The wind blows into the white sails above your heads and the waves of the IJsselmeer rush beneath you as you look forward to the next tour in the cycling paradise of Holland! A cycling and sailing tour around the IJsselmeer will take you to the most beautiful spots in the north of Holland. Whether the former seafaring towns of Enkhuizen and Hoorn or Friesland's oldest town, Stavoren – there is a lot to discover! And if you feel like it, you can also help set the sails on the Elizabeth and get a taste of sailor's air. No experience is necessary, the crew will be happy to show you the secrets of seafaring.

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival in Amsterdam, Amsterdam – Monnickendam, approx. 10 km
Day 2	Monnickendam – Volendam, approx. 30 / 50 km, Volendam – Hoorn (boat)
Day 3	Hoorn – Enkhuizen, approx. 30 / 40 km, Enkhuizen – Urk (boat)
Day 4	Urk – Vollenhove, approx. 35 km
Day 5	Vollenhove – Giethoorn, approx. 40 / 50 km
Day 6	Giethoorn – Lelystad (boat)
Day 7	Lelystad – Blocq van Kuffeler, approx. 20 / 30 km, Blocq van Kuffeler – Amsterdam (boat)
Day 8	Individuelle Abreise aus Amsterdam

Travel time

Season A	07.09.
Season B	08.06. – 31.08.

Arrival Saturday 08.06. – 07.09.2024
 The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

- 7 nights on board in double cabins with shower / WC
- Welcome drink
- Bed linen and towels (no bath towels)
- Cabin cleaning (1x per week)
- Travel documents (1 x per cabin), Maps on board
- Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. – 08.00 p.m.)
- Daily cycling tour briefing, on-board tour guide
- Full board (7 x breakfast, 6 x packed lunch, 7 x dinner)

Not included services

- Admission fees and excursions
- Drinks on board and tips for tour guide and crew
- Transfers

Basic price per person

Double cabin, season A	1179,-
Double cabin, season B	1279,-
Supplement double cabin for single use, season A	569,-
Supplement double cabin for single use, season B	619,-

Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec	199,-
Amsterdam canal cruise	16,-
Unisex bike (7-speed, freewheel)	59,-

Child reduction on basic price

0 - 15 Years

15%

Child discount applies for accommodation in a triple cabin with two full-paying guests.

Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, Dutch

Additional note

- All departures are guaranteed, there is no minimum number of participants.
- All bookings are on request.
- Changes: Changes are possible on boat trips due to weather, water level or technical conditions and remain reserved.

Equipment of our rental bikes

- Comfortable saddle
- Bike lock
- Unflat Schwalbe Marathon Plus tyres or comparable
- Waterproof pannier

Journey to Amsterdam

- Nearest airports: Amsterdam
 - Train station: Amsterdam
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Parking in Amsterdam

- Various unguarded parking facilities near the ship's pier cannot be reserved.
- Valet Parking: Your car will be picked up at the ship on the day of arrival, parked under cover and guarded and brought back to the ship on the day of departure, costs approx. 175 € / week. A bicycle rack costs an additional 35 €.
- Please always go to the ship first and drop off your luggage and then to the car park. No reservation possible through Radweg-Reisen.

Travel documents

- 1 set (per booked cabin) consists of: Voucher, travel information with description of the daily stages
 - Dispatch up to four weeks before arrival. For bookings at short notice, handover on site, voucher and arrival information in advance by e-mail.
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Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival in Amsterdam, Amsterdam – Monnickendam, approx. 10 km

After your arrival in Amsterdam, the crew will be waiting for you on your ship between 1 and 2 pm. Once all guests are on board, its time to cast off, as you will be sailing on the IJsselmeer to Monnickendam in the afternoon of your cycling and sailing trip. On the bike you will go on a first short exploration tour through the Waterland nature reserve.

Day 2: Monnickendam – Volendam, approx. 30 / 50 km, Volendam – Hoorn (boat)

Typical Dutch is how you could describe today. First you cycle to a family farm for a short demonstration of cheese and clog making. Then you cycle through the small village of Purmerend, which lies 3.5 metres below sea level. The next destination is Edam, world-famous for its wax-covered cheese. Your ship awaits you in Volendam. Here you will have plenty of time to explore the traditional fishing village, as the ship does not leave the harbour for Hoorn until late in the evening.

Day 3: Hoorn – Enkhuizen, approx. 30 / 40 km, Enkhuizen – Urk (boat)

After breakfast you disembark and cycle leisurely through rural hamlets and villages. You will come across the tallest windmill in North Holland. Did you know that it is still in use today to produce flour? The destination of today's cycle tour of your cycle and sailing route on the IJsselmeer is Enkhuizen. Thanks to its harbour, the over 1000-year-old town was one of the richest in Holland, as ships from Asia unloaded expensive spices here. Stately mansions, churches and city walls are witnesses to the former wealth. In the afternoon you cross the IJsselmeer and sail to Urk, a traditional fishing village.

Day 4: Urk – Vollenhove, approx. 35 km

After breakfast, you leave the IJsselmeer for the time being and cycle eastwards. Today you cycle along the Ketelmeer to the former island of Schokland, which was once enclosed by the Zuiderzee. Erosion threatened the island and in the 19th century the last inhabitants left Schokland, which has been completely surrounded by the mainland since land reclamation. Today, many descendants of the islanders bear the family name Schokker. You then continue cycling along the former coastline of the Zuiderzee. You may also encounter Schokkers in the destination of today's stage, the charming village of Vollenhove.

Day 5: Vollenhove – Giethoorn, approx. 40 / 50 km

In the morning you cycle to the small town of Blokzijl, where the Weerribben-Wieden National Park begins. Lakes, meadows and swamp forests alternate in the largest peat bog area in north-western Europe. An important habitat for numerous animal and plant species. With a little luck, you may even spot an otter at work. You continue cycling through fields surrounded by dikes to Zwartsluis.

Day 6: Giethoorn – Lelystad (boat)

Your feet won't be pedalling today, you will cover the distance to the town of Lelystad by sailing ship. If you want, you can help the captain sail on the IJsselmeer or relax on deck. In Lelystad you can see what sailing ships looked like in the 17th century, using the Batavia as an example. The real East Indiaman sank off Australia in 1629. A replica was built in the local Batavia shipyard over a ten-year period and can also be visited here.

Day 7: Lelystad – Blocq van Kuffeler, approx. 20 / 30 km, Blocq van Kuffeler – Amsterdam (boat)

Today, on the last stage of the cycling and sailing tour around the IJsselmeer, you will cycle through a true natural paradise. The paths wind partly through wooded areas, partly they offer you a wide panoramic view over extensive marshes. Stop and observe the numerous birds that have settled here. Afterwards, you can relax on board and return to the port of Amsterdam.

Day 8: Individuelle Abreise aus Amsterdam

After breakfast, your cycling and sailing trip around the IJsselmeer is unfortunately already over. Disembarkation takes place until 9.30 am. Now it is time to say goodbye to your Elizabeth and the crew. We wish you a safe journey home!

Boat descriptions



Elizabeth

Rushing across the IJsselmeer on the majestic Elizabeth is a real experience! A typical Dutch flat-bottomed ship, she was launched in 1913. Over a hundred years later, the three-masted schooner presents itself stylishly, comfortably and with upscale furnishings. If you feel like it, you can help to set the sails! If not, you can always find a cosy spot on the sun deck or in the large saloon.

Facts about the ship:

- 10 cabins
- Equipment: shower / WC, two single beds (side by side)
- Lower deck: 8 cabins
- Upper deck: 2 cabins
- Three- and four-bed cabins possible, additional beds raised
- Year of construction: 1913
- Last renovation: 2014 / 2015
- 2 passenger decks
- Maximum occupancy: 35 passengers
- Length: 41,0 m
- Width: 6,9 m
- Facilities: Large saloon with bar and seating area, sun deck
- Languages on board: German, English, Dutch